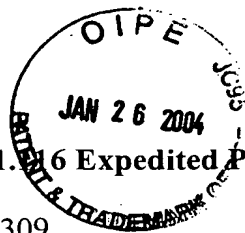


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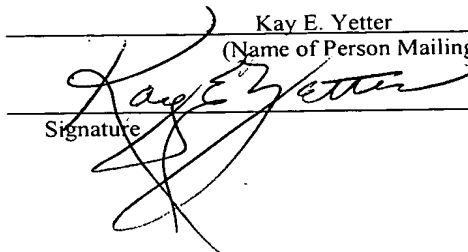
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Office Action was mailed on September 23, 2003 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on December 23, 2003. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on January 23, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently herewith.

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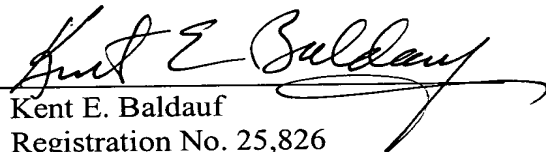
The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$880.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee and RCE filing fee.

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